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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION TEHRAN, INFO SECDEF, JCS,
USCINCEUR JUL 20, 1977 REPEATED FOR YOUR ACTION

QUOTE:

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USCINCEUR FOR ECJ4/7 AND POLAD
SECDEF FOR ASD: ISA(SA) DSAAKNESA)

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TAGS: MASS MILI IR JO
SUBJECT: JORDANIAN REQUEST FOR IRANIAN I-HAWK ADVICE

REF: TEHRAN 6316, DTG 180514Z JUL 77

1. APPRECIATE OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON REF MSG WHICH CONCERNS
JORDANIAN REQUEST FOR VISIT OF ROYAL JORDANIAN AIR FORCE (RJAF)
OFFICERS TO STUDY PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH I-HAWK. WE WERE
PREVIOUSLY UNAWARE OF RJAF REQUEST, BUT DISCUSSED PROPOSED VISIT
WITH RJAF I-HAWK PROJECT OFFICER, BG TAYSIR ZAROUR. HE
SAYS VISIT IS FOR PURPOSE OF EXAMINING IRANIAN I-HAWK OPERATION
AND LEARNING FROM IRANIAN EXPERIENCE. BG ZAROUR INDICATES THAT
1 AUGUST VISIT NOW VERY UNLIKELY, AND THAT A MORE REALISTIC DATE
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IS SOMETIME AFTER TENTH OF AUGUST.

2. JORDAN IS IN THE PROCESS OF RECEIVING FOURTEEN (14) I-HAWK
BATTERIES. FIRST BATTERY HAS ALREADY COMPLETED CONUS TRAINING AND
ADDITIONAL BATTERIES WILL BE DOING SO OVER THE NEXT
THIRTY MONTHS.

3. EMBASSY/MAP JORDAN HAVE BEEN URGING JORDAN ARMED FORCES (JAF) TO DEVELOP PLANS FOR INTEGRATION OF I-HAWK SYSTEM INTO OTHER AIR DEFENSE WEAPONS SYSTEMS. WE BELIEVE THAT THE PROPOSED VISIT TO IRAN WILL HELP DO THIS, AND THINK WE SHOULD FACILITATE THE VISIT.

4. WHILE INTERPRETATION OF WHAT CONSTITUTES "TRANSFER" UNDER THE TERMS OF THE LAW IS NOT OUR FORTE, WE BELIEVE THAT JORDAN, ALREADY HAVING HAD CONGRESSIONAL PERMISSION TO PURCHASE HAWK, MIGHT NOT ACTUALLY BE RECEIVING INFORMATION OR DATA IT DOES NOT ALREADY HAVE IN AN ORIENTATION VISIT OF THIS SORT. WE ALSO RECOGNIZE THAT IRAN NEVERTHELESS MAY REQUIRE PERMISSION TO ORGANIZE THE VISIT. WE HOPE THIS CAN BE HANDLED IN MOST EXPEDITIOUS POSSIBLE MANNER BY DOD AND DEPARTMENT.
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